REMARKS

Claims 7-14 and 38-44 were pending. In the Office Action, claims 7-12, 38-39, and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly nonenabled. Claims 38-39 and 43 have been canceled herein without prejudice to being pursued in a subsequent continuation. Claims 7-12 have been amended to remove reference to the canceled claims. Further, claims 13-14 and 45 have been amended to correct minor typographical errors introduced in the previous amendment. No new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe the present claims are in condition for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is therefore earnestly solicited. Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at (215) 665-5593 to clarify any unresolved issues raised by this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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